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1. Following the disturbances of 17 June 1954 and in line with the East German Government's "new course" policy, Werk IV of VEB Funkwerk Leipzig, Leipzig-Plagwitz, switched to the production of civilian consumer goods, such as portable radios, magnetic tape recorders, antennas, and boosters for "community antennas" (Gemeinschafts-Antenne).

2. 180 persons were employed at Werk IV. The plant management staff, made up of the director (Werkleiter) Arno Mix (SED) and the technical director, Dr. Franz Lange (SED), supervised the following departments:

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a. TK-1. Chief: Dr. Huettel (fnu), CDU or ~~MDP~~.

Former work (i.e., prior to the "new course" program): development of HF equipment, including a mobile 5-watt short wave transmitter and an 80 watt pedal-operated generator (Tretsatz) for mobile transmitters.

b. TK-2. Chief: Vogt (fnu)

Former work: development of HF and other equipment, including an all-waveband receiver, an ultrashort wave directional antenna, and antennas with folded dipoles with reflectors and directors.

c. It is not known whether TK-3 or TK-4 existed.

d. TK-5. Chief: Schade (fnu)

Former work: development of optical, electrical, and low frequency equipment. The optical equipment included a device to measure the thickness of thread and an instrument to measure the contraction of the earth's surface. An electrical device to measure coal moisture and a low frequency device for the location of schools of fish (Fischlupe) were also developed.¹

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- e. Personnel and administration. Chief: Walter Stein, SED. Routine activities.
- f. TKK. Chief: Barbiarzyk (fmu), SED. Chief designing office.
3. In March 1954, the "new course" projects were terminated and the plant resumed its former work. The plant was then placed under the jurisdiction of the East German Ministry of the Interior (sic).

1. [] Comment. In view of several reports from other sources indicating that the East German government is actively interested in purchasing Fischlupe equipment [] to be studied and copied by VEB Funkwerk Koepenick, the development of Fischlupe devices by Werk IV was probably not very far advanced. []

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